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Effectively immediately, the boat launches at North Toledo Bend State Park, near Zwolle, and South Toledo Bend State Park, near Anacoco, are closed to boat traffic. The water levels at the boat ramps at both parks are 12-14 inches deep, creating unsafe conditions for launching boats.

The Sabine River Authority has issued warnings regarding all boat-related traffic on the lake. According to the SRA, the lake level is approximately 9-1/2 feet below the safe level of 168 feet mean sea level.

Additionally, the current extreme drought situation is causing the lake to fall approximately one-half inch per day, creating potentially hazardous areas even in established boating lanes. Caution is advised in the boat lanes, as there have been reports of damage to boats in boat lanes as well as in less-traveled areas of the lake.

All water sports participants are advised to avoid excessive speed and exercise caution when navigating waters not in normal boat lanes. For more information, as well as general lake information, visit www.toledo-bend.com. For more information about Louisiana State Parks, visit www.LaStateParks.com.

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